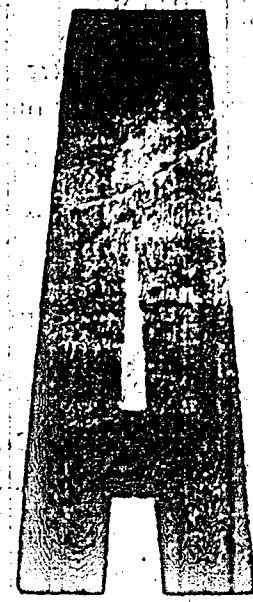






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THE REVIVAL OF GAELIC IN IRELAND.

DID O'CONNELL ANGLICISE THE GAELS?

By T. O. RUSSELL in the "Monthly Review."

The movement, the object of which is the resuscitation of the Irish language in Ireland, is one of the most curious things connected with linguistic matters that has occurred in this or in the last century.

Up to 1846, the beginning of the famine years, more than half the population of Ireland spoke Irish; and up to the year of the rebellion of 1798 there was hardly any English spoken by the peasantry in any part of the country except where the Scotch and English planters had settled in Ulster; and even there, Irish was currently spoken for many years after the plantation had taken place.

But it is not necessary to go back to 1837 to understand the extraordinary reply which the Irish language has had among the Irish peasantry, for the writer of this article was at a market in Athlone in the county Westmeath, in the year 1842, and heard, at the very lowest calculation, five people speaking Irish for the one who spoke English.

There is something sad and pathetic in the fading away of a national speech in a time of profound peace and complete absence of anything bordering on persecution.

BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE GAELS THEMSELVES.

No Act of Parliament against the Irish language can be shown since the year 1365, when the Parliament of Kilkenny banned it.

DISCOURAGED THE USE OF IRISH.

by almost every means in their power, and in some cases went so far as to make their parishioners destroy or give up all the Gaelic books or manuscripts that they had.

DANIEL O'CONNELL'S TOTAL NEGLECT OF IT

war, perhaps, the greatest. He wielded more power over his Catholic and Gaelic fellow countrymen than any man ever did, or probably ever will; but not one word did he ever utter, not one line did he ever write, favourable to the cultivation of the language of his country and his race.

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Medical Officer of Health—Inspection of the Corporation disinfecting chamber.

The information as to the register of cases admitted can be had on application to the Master. Any medical information required can be obtained on application to the Medical Officers in charge of the hospital.

REMOVAL OF INFECTED CLOTHING.

The Clerk said he had received a further communication from Dr. Kennedy. It was as follows:— "I beg to call your attention to the fact that a procedure as illegal as it is unhygienic has been initiated by an officer of your Board as Chamber-steward, a salute to the practice of removing in the van, at the same time as the patient, all the bed-coverings of the family containing the patient in the house; no previous fumigation having been carried out, and no provision being made by those who remove the bedding for anything to be supplied in substitution."

This arrangement means that for each poor family disturbed, there would have been no going to bed for some nights, had not some member appealed to the very last hour of the night, and got me to disturb the house, long closed, in order to purchase the necessary articles.

Another such appeal last night at 10 p.m., had decided me not to do any more of this emergency work; and I told the applicant to go for their compensation to the persons who removed the bedding at an earlier hour in the evening.

The fact that nearly all these cases of fever have been notified as epidemic renders this carrying off the bedding more inexplicable. I have no reluctance to carry out my own official work, nor have any sub-officer, but if the officers of your Board choose to do some of our work for us, I would only request that they should do so in a more comprehensive and less dangerous manner for the future.

I remain, Sir, Your obedient servant, R. C. CAREW, M.D., M.S.O.H.

THE CLERK SAID THAT THE REMOVAL OF INFECTED CLOTHING SHOULD BE LEFT IN THE HANDS OF THE SANITARY OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION.

Mr. Dunphy—That is more a work for the relieving officers of the city than any one else. There is no, Sir, the relieving officers in the city are not sanitary officers, but they are in the city.

THE BOARD ORDERED THAT THE DANGEROUS PRACTICE REFERRED TO BE DISCONTINUED.

There were in the workhouse last Saturday night 503 persons, showing a decrease of 61 compared with the corresponding night of the last year; admitted, 157; born, 3; discharged, 138; cost of provisions, £114, against £23 10s.; cost of fuel, £24 10s., against £23 10s.; cost of stimulants, 2s. 2d. none last year; 84 glasses of whiskey, 22 last year.

Mr. Carew—Are there many cases in the fever hospital?

THE CLERK SAID THERE WERE EIGHT LAST SATURDAY NIGHT AND THE MASTER TELLS ME THERE ARE NINE NOW.

THE FEVER HOSPITAL—QUESTION OF EXPENDITURE.

Mr. Carew said before they passed on to the correspondence, there was an important question which he wished to bring forward regarding their expenditure. The sub-committee that were down to the fever hospital made certain recommendations which they represented would involve a small expenditure, but he found out that they were not very considerable.

Mr. Dunphy—I was a member of that sub-committee that went down to the fever hospital and the reason we took it as being a small matter was that we were not very particular about the whole thing as tumbled down—(laughter).

Mr. Carew—If you had to put up a new building it would mean thousands.

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MEDICAL FEE.

The Local Government Board sanctioned payment of £2 2s. to Dr. O'Sullivan for attending a dispensary infirmary case in the Waterford City Dispensary.

DEARER NURSE.

The Local Government Board transmitted questions for answers respecting Mrs. Holmes to whom it is proposed to assign a supernumerary position in the fever hospital as a nurse in charge of the workhouse.

TEMPORARY LADY RELIEVING OFFICER.

The Local Government Board sanctioned payment of remuneration at the rate of 5s. a week to Miss Martin for her services as temporary relieving officer.

SANCTIONED.

The Local Government Board sanctioned the payment of £2 2s. a week, with rations, to Miss O'Sullivan for her services as nurse in the workhouse.

OFFERED IN MULLINAVAT.

The Local Government Board in relation to the proposal to board out a child with Margaret Fitzpatrick, who resides in the district of Mullinavat, for which district there are no ladies' committees, stated that the Guardians should appoint a committee of ladies for the district in question, until this is done they think that no more children should be boarded out in the district.

MR. DUNPHY—IN WHOSE HANDS ARE YOU GOING TO LEAVE THE APPOINTMENT OF THESE LADIES?

Mr. Carew—Well, we invited the president of Mullinavat to assist in the matter by kindly nominating three ladies, but we had no response.

ALDERMAN WARD—YOU GOING TO WRITE AGAIN, MR. DUNPHY—CAREW BATHING IS UNWELL, AND YOU CAN WRITE TO HIM AGAIN.

Mr. Carew—I will do so, with pleasure.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.

The Local Government Board sanctioned the recent appointments of probationary nurses. Miss Alice O'Connell, school mistress, was granted two weeks' leave of absence.

DEPORTATION.

Miss J. J. Power, M.P., J. J. Power, M.P., and J. J. Power, M.P., were acknowledged receipt of resolution on the subject of the deportation of Irish people from England to Ireland when they had been convicted of the crime, and desiring to give the question the vote, and desiring to give the question the vote, and desiring to give the question the vote.

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SANITARY REPORT.

The following report was submitted by Dr. Denis Kennedy, Medical Superintendent Officer of Health...

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SPORTING, CYCLING, AND ATHLETIC NOTES.

AT KILMOGANNY.

The Kilmoogany and Blacking Coursing Club had a field day on Monday, the occasion being their annual coursing meeting.

TERMINATION A COINCIDENCE.

Handsome Nellie was just defeated by Thromaway, owned by Mr. Malcomson, above referred to, and what is rather remarkable about the matter is that the last named dog entered, was the subject of this paragraph, it having been sent by wire to Mr. Howe on Saturday last at the "News" Office, where the card was being printed, the entry proving to be the downfall of Mr. Howe's game dog.

REGRET.

One of my regrets this week, through enforced confinement to bed, was my inability to attend this successful coursing meeting. The committee were good enough to make me a field steward, but those doctors are inexorable. I understand I missed a pleasant day's outing with one of the best in the person of Mr. Jack Powell, than whom no one knows a good dog better in the county.

PEDESTRIANISM.

Has taken on with such spirit in the city and suburbs since the year opened, that the members of the Catholic Young Men's Society find it incumbent to cater for the public by providing another contest in the many exercises of Sunday, the 20th inst.

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IRISHMANIAN SWEEPSTAKES.

How striking are the vagaries of Fortune! The most recent of the Irishmanian Sweepstakes, decided over the Metropolitan Hotel, and of the value of £8,000, has, say least, Australian exchanges, been won by a German, an inmate of the Dunwich Benevolent Asylum, Queensland.

WESTWOOD COURSE MEETING.

For the Westwood Opening Meeting will not come off before February, the committee intend to give a further supply of horses on the preserve. It is pleasing to find all the owners of the North Sloeb lads giving permission to the club to preserve the entire portion of it. To course in the open over such a large tract of land requires a very large stock of horses, and the executive are unanimous in having a complete right, and in providing facilities for the public to enjoy the course.

MR. E. BLANCO.

Mr. Edward Blanco, the owner of Calais, has won upward of £70,000 in stakes this season.

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The foreshore of Knockederry Lake is not over-wooded, and perhaps, the above suggestion might find its way into the official mind in case of emergency.

Mr. Joseph Collins, attorney, Gladstone-street, has on sale picture post cards of the Russian outrage on the Hull fishing fleet on the 2nd October. This is well on time.

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GENEROSITY

Captain Bolton's company of the Waterford Artillery, stationed in Corrick-on-Suir, were treated on Christmas Day to a sumptuous dinner...

COURT OF ADMIRALTY

In Re The Petition of Robert Dobbins. Mr. Hamerton, proctor, moved the petition of R. Dobbins, Solicitor Extraordinary of the High Court of Chancery...

RIGHT REV. DR. WALSH

The Right Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Halifax, has arrived in this his native city. The learned and eloquent prelate is at present staying at Armoyn, the hospitable residence of the Rev. Martin Flynn...

WATERFORD MEN FOR THE SEAT OF WAR

Our respected fellow-citizens, Arthur Smith, J. D. Lopham, and Henry Davis, Esq., are to sit on the Bench on Tuesday morning...

PROMOTION

Our respected fellow-citizen, John Allingham, Esq., of the Provincial Bank, goes to the Dublin branch on promotion. Mr. Allingham, while performing his duties here won for himself the esteem of all who know how to estimate the qualities of a gentleman in his true course...

THE CALICO QUESTION

The Local Government Board wrote in reply to the application for the supply of calico cancelled on the grounds of insufficient width...

DON'T SPOIL your ironing

By using poor starch—foreign starch—starch that no maker risks his name or reputation on. Starch can't be too good to properly finish the labour spent in washing and ironing. It pays to get the best in starch.

BETTER THAN MONEY IN THE SAVING BANK

After a lengthy discussion, in the course of which it was stated that the letter of Messrs. Lyons was misleading, the board pointed out that they accepted the material thinking it to be the proper width.

COLMAN'S STARCH

It is as good as it is well known. It is the best starch for ironing. It is the best starch for ironing. It is the best starch for ironing.

HAVE YOU heard? What Stock of Cartridges we keep? All Sizes in PIN & CENTRE FIRE. Guns, Rifles, Revolvers, and Shooting Appliances IN LARGE VARIETIES STOCKED. Our Goods are Right! Our Prices are Right!

O'LEARY & CO. OATS I BARLEY I I WE PAY HIGHEST PRICES FOR White and Black Oats. Grinding and Malting Barley. IT WILL PAY YOU TO SEND US YOUR SAMPLES, AND WE WILL QUOTE ON APPLY EARLY.



# Supplement to the "Waterford News."

WATERFORD: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1904

## OUR AGRICULTURAL COLUMN.

(From the "Farmer's Gazette.")

### A PIG FEEDING QUESTION.

A correspondent having read the remarks upon the ration for fattening pigs, recently published in our columns, asks a question as to the comparative value of potatoes and barley meal. He says that sometime ago when he had a quantity of potatoes to sell he endeavoured to ascertain whether it would pay as well to boil them for pigs as to dispose of them at market price, and he learned that it took 3 lbs. of potatoes to equal 1 lb. of barley meal, so that when barley meal costs 7s a cwt. he found that it worked out that the potatoes were worth 2s. 4d. a cwt., or 4s. 8d. a ton. He has regarded this as something as a standard of value for potatoes for pig feeding, and he has this year grown a quantity. He has selected the very best for sale, and reserved the remainder, which are being boiled for his swine from day to day. He is much interested to learn what the result may be, and as he has seen from time to time the value of pig potatoes placed at £1 per ton he is inclined to think that at this price they are extremely cheap food. The feeding value of the potato depends to some extent upon the class of pig consuming it, but assuming that the pigs are what they ought to be—good, kind feeders, appropriating their food to the best advantage—then we would say that the price of pig potatoes is not, practically speaking, fixed in accordance with any standard of value based upon the nutrient constituents of food, but by the arbitrary practice and custom of feeders.

Potatoes have been of late years frequently very cheap, and the buyer of chaff, or the small tubers, naturally object to pay anything like the price which is paid in the market by the dealer to the farmer or grower for ware intended for the table of the people. Let us, however, make a comparison on the basis of food value. The potato contains from 24 per cent. to 25 per cent. of digestible nutritious matter, of which 2 per cent. consist of albuminoids and 22 per cent. of carbohydrates, or starchy matter, including a very minute quantity of oil. Barley, on the other hand, contains nearly 70 per cent. of feeding matter, of which 8 per cent. are albuminoids and 59 per cent. carbohydrates, again with a very small quantity of oil. Now it will be seen that the nutritious matter in the potato is slightly more than one-third of that in the barley this matter being digestible, so that on the basis of figures like these it is next to impossible to doubt that the potato is worth one-third as much as barley meal, weight for weight. But barley meal about 7s a cwt.; it should be judged by its market price per ton, and when we remember the low price of imported barley, its low quality, and the fact that in many cases of fl. grain and rubbish of other kinds are frequently ground up with barley to make barley meal, we cannot but arrive at the conclusion that 3 lbs. of potato of good quality are worth more than 1 lb. of average barley meal.

The figures, which relate to the analysis which has been quoted, relate to a good sample, but an average sample intended for barley meal is much inferior, containing more husk and less feeding matter. The feeding matter of the meal is necessarily further diminished when, as has been shown, it is adulterated. The best mixture of ration of food for pork production includes both barley meal and potatoes, with the addition of skimmed milk. Ireland is the most famous part of the British Isles for bacon. That bacon is chiefly the result of potato feeding, although in many places where cows are kept, skimmed milk is also supplied; but dealing with the question of economy as well as with the quality of the pork, it has been proved over and over again, especially in Wiltshire by carefully planned experiments, that potatoes in moderate quantities, skimmed milk, and a small quantity of barley meal, provide a ration which cannot be surpassed. But the meal must be good.

### QUESTIONS AND REPLIES.

**Polo Ponies Wanted.**—Kindly inform us as to the best counties in Ireland where polo pony "remounts" can be purchased, i.e. suitable ponies, 5 years old and upwards, and of Polo height. Since selected stallions have been located in Conemara District are any of the above obtainable there? or are the progeny of Conemara pony mares too blocky and slow?—Polo ponies are at present a chance bred animal, and in most cases are horses which do not grow big enough. The County Council of Antrim, however, are trying to induce the pony breeders in the Cushendall district, which has always been famous for the breed of ponies, and is on the coast of Antrim, to do so. A couple of years since they leased from the well-known breeder at the Carragh, Mr. Pullin, a very beautiful small stallion named "Trillion" which was bred at the famous Yardley stud. The horse was by Plebion (the winner of a Middle Park Plate), out of Union, by Star, running back into the dam of the Derby winner, Blue Gown. He was a small horse, with over eight inches of bone and good action, and he was crossed each year with sixty selected ponies. We hear the producer are most promising, and, no doubt, in another year or two some good ponies will be found in the district. In fact, it would be quite worth attending some of the local fairs about Ballymena to pick up some of the young ones. Some excellent ponies used to come from the West of Ireland, in the Castlebar district, but the introduction of the Hackney some years since has not improved them. A good polo pony must be got by a thoroughbred, and the great difficulty is to find a small stallion well bred enough with sufficient bone. A Whistler. I have a whistler. Kindly state the food which will prevent his becoming

worse. Would molassine meal injure him? He will probably become worse with age. It is advisable to damp all his food. This can be done by sprinkling water on the hay and mixing a little wet bran with the oats. He might be given molassine meal in moderate quantity with beneficial results. Calves Coughing.—I have four calves suffering very much from cough. They are very strong. They took the cough about the middle of August. I housed them on the beginning of September. I have them on afterwards for the last fortnight. What would you recommend for a cure? Your calves are evidently suffering from parasitic bronchitis, or "hoars." We would recommend you to put them into a comfortable, well ventilated shed, and to diet them on soft, easily digested food. Give each once daily 60 drops of rectified spirits of turpentine, suspended in 2 oz. lard oil or tepid milk. They should also have inhalations of fumes of burning sulphur. This can be done by putting a few ounces of flowers of sulphur into a metal bucket, and igniting with a burning coal or turf. During the time the sulphur is burning in the calf shed, the doors and windows should be closed. It is advisable when submitting the calves to the fumes that some person should remain in the shed in order to remove the sulphur when the atmosphere becomes unbearable. It will be found that one or two fumigations usually suffices to get rid of the parasites.

Twelve Words for Turpentine.

Mr. Walsh—Will Laidlow get their money? Clerk—No. Mr. Hayes—What about the fire escape that the rate was struck five years ago, and only for me half the town would be burned. Mr. Walsh—Yes; the town would be burned only for that engine. Mr. Curran—Wasn't the money for a jumping sheet? Mr. Hayes—No; not for a jumping sheet, but for a fire escape. Mr. Moloney—Who was here seven years ago? Mr. Curran—The Twelve Apostles—(laughter). The Chairman said that the money was spent otherwise. Clerk—It went for the Burgery extension; no rate was ever struck for it. Mr. Hayes—It was. Clerk—Never was there a rate struck for it. What are you going to do about this letter of the Local Government Board? Mr. Walsh—The letter of the Local Government Board stated that no money could be paid from one account to another. If all the accounts amalgamated be illegal, part would be illegal, and that is the reason I object to this business. Money extracted for one account should not be paid for another. Mr. Hayes—We have gone to the Munster Bank and if we can do better let us know how. It is easy to pick holes, just like this Land Act between William O'Brien and the "Freeman." Let us make the best terms we can, as we did with the Co. Council. Mr. Power—It is easy to say that, but the Commissioners should act independently. Mr. Moloney—If your hand is in the dog's mouth get it out as easily as you can. Mr. Walsh—How do you stand with the treasurer? Mr. Stewart—Let the Local Government Board be paid and let the others wait. Mr. Walsh said that there was over £500 to

Mr. Hayes—You might apologise to this board for what you said. Mr. Veale—I said every second house in town is a lodging house. Mr. Curran—It might be inferred that the publicans were the offenders. Chairman—Canon Power's letter has only reference to the common lodging houses. RESIGNATION. Mr. Michael O'Meara sent in his resignation as rate collector, after a term of twenty-five years. He enclosed a medical certificate, and thanked the Council for their kindness. Dr. Morrissey certified that he was unfit for active work. Mr. Dunne said that Mr. O'Meara had done his duty well. He was one of the best collectors in Ireland. Mr. Hayes said that Mr. O'Meara had given every satisfaction. The resignation was accepted, and Mr. Wm. O'Meara was appointed to collect the rents of the arizans' dwellings. This was agreed to. THE NEW WATER SCHEME. Mr. Beary, B.S., through Mr. Hunt, wrote enclosing copy of new water scheme, with maps, etc., for the auxiliary water supply for Dungarvan. The source of the supply would be Glenduro. The new scheme was referred for consideration to a special meeting. MONEY AGAIN. Mr. John McGrath wrote for balance of his contract for £51. Mr. Walsh—You must only ask him to wait. RETIRING ALLOWANCE. Mr. James Dunne gave notice that he would move that a retiring allowance be granted to Mr. O'Meara this night fortnight. INSPECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. The council was reported wrong.

## DUNGARVAN BOARD OF GUARDIANS

TUESDAY

At the usual weekly meeting of the above body the members present were—Messrs. R. Power, D.V.C., in the chair; P. Foley, T. O'Connor, J.P.; T. Veale, E. O'Shea, Wm. Stack, J.P.; John McCarthy. THE STONES. Mr. Veale asked that the Urban District Council get the broken stones at 2s. per cubic yard.—Agreed to. MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT. The Medical Officer reported that he found it necessary to send away portion of a tumour for examination. The fee was 5.—Ordered payment. THE SESKINANE HOUSE. The Board of Works engineer reported that the Seskinane House was in a very defective condition; plaster, scantling, windows defective, roof leaking, etc., etc. Mr. O'Shea said that it appeared to him that the engineer should have reported these defects before the contractor was paid. It was the thirteenth hour now to be calling attention to defects which, according to the report furnished by the inspector last year, were not in existence. This was more of the bungling of the Board of Works. To save themselves and cover their mistake or incompetency they now condemn the guardians for paying the money for which their own engineer gave a certificate. Was there ever anything heard like that? Mr. Curran—Propose a resolution and have it sent to them. Mr. O'Shea then moved the following—That the report of the Board of Works Inspector just read in reference to the Seskinane medical residence has come upon the guardians with surprise, as judging by the report of the

## THE NORTH SEA INCIDENT.

### SUMMARY OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

Reuter's Agency learns that the following may be regarded as a correct account in a summarised form of the negotiations between Great Britain and Russia on the North Sea outrage.— The news of the firing on the trawlers reached many leading officials for the first time through the medium of the newspapers. The Foreign Office after authenticating the main facts, telegraphed to St. Petersburg instructing the British Ambassador to ask for explanations. When a more thorough investigation had been made a Note was despatched of an urgent nature, and demands, the nature of which have since been made public, were made. The Russian Government on receipt of the Note, sent urgent telegrams to different ports where some of Admiral Rodjestvensky's ships were likely to touch, asking for a full explanation, meanwhile accepting the statement of the British fishermen. The Tsar telegraphed on Tuesday his regrets and his sympathy with the victims. Official representations were made at the same time to the Foreign Office, pointing out in answer to the repeated British demands for immediate action, and it was impossible to take any further steps until the official explanations of Admiral Rodjestvensky had been received. At the same time the Russian Government took occasion to express its regret at what had occurred. The British demands included the punishment of the officer or officers responsible for the outrage, and a strong hint was conveyed that unless satisfaction were given on this point the Baltic Fleet would not be allowed to proceed beyond Tangier. The Russian Government in its reply pointed out that, although it did not doubt the statement made by the Hull fishermen, and authenticated by the Foreign Office, still it could not condemn unheard one of its officers, for such a course, it held, would be unfair to him, and derogatory to the sovereign right of the Tsar. The official report of Admiral Rodjestvensky was received by the Russian Government on Thursday, and was communicated forthwith to Sir Charles Hardinge. In this document the Admiral declares that there were two torpedo-boats among the trawlers. The British Government have been unable to procure from the fishermen any confirmation of the Russian Admiral's statement, while the Russian Government, on its side, says that until the whole affair is cleared up more thoroughly the Admiral's report forms the only data on which it can base its course of action. Thus things have arrived at an impasse. The question before the Cabinet is to decide whether a way out can be found, and it is deemed not improbable that the close relationship of M. Cambon, French Ambassador, both with the British Government and the Russian Embassy, may be turned to good account in the furthering of an inquiry into the facts conducted by officials of a friendly Power of undoubted impartiality. It is understood that should such an inquiry take place the Baltic Fleet will not continue its voyage until the investigation is completed, and the recommendation of the tribunal carried out.

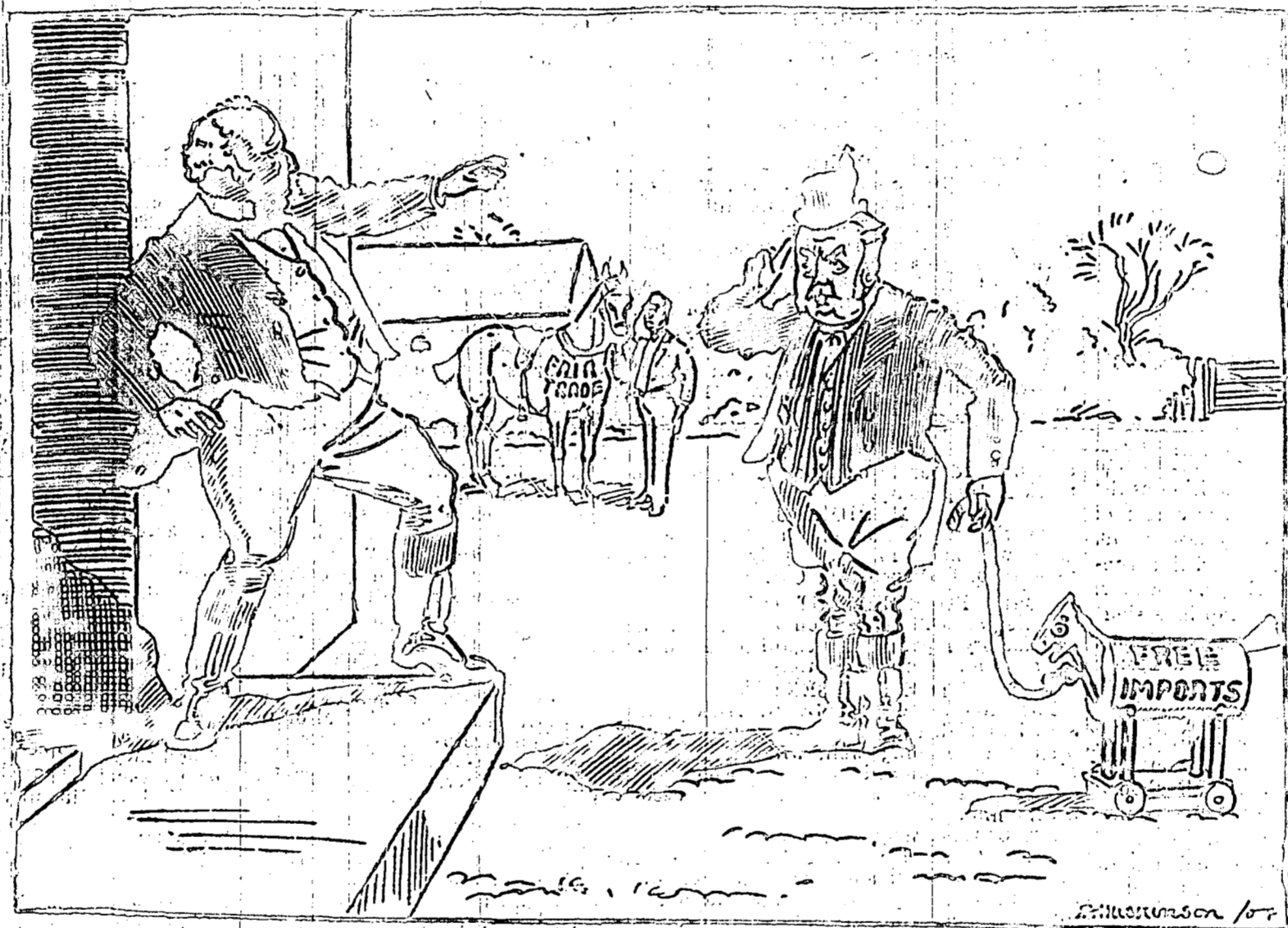
### THE ATTACK ON A SWEDISH STEAMER

Gefle (Sweden), Friday. The captain and crew of the steamer Alderbaran, which has been fired at by a Russian cruiser, were, yesterday, at the instance of the Government, examined by a magistrate; all evidence being given on oath. All confirmed their conviction that shots were fired at her. The captain deposed that the crew saw shells burst in the air and near the steamer. It is supposed that quick-firing guns were used. The distance was half a mile. Witnesses are convinced that the Russian ship distinctly saw the Swedish flag.

### BOMBARDING A GERMAN TRAWLER.

Berlin, Friday. A telegram to the "Lokalanzeiger," from Gesteemuende, dated yesterday, says:—The trawler Sonntag, belonging to this port, arrived here to-day. She reports that while off the Dogger Bank she was bombarded by the Russian Fleet for two and a half hours, but was not hit. The skipper, Hahnel, says:—On the 21st inst., we were off the Hornet fishing grounds, on the West Coast of Jutland. In the morning five large Russian ships passed, and in the evening nine more. To the north of us was a large cargo steamer. At half-past eight searchlights were thrown on us. Immediately afterwards the first shells fell in our vicinity. A Russian ship fired in all directions, and as many as eighty shots a minute. About half-past nine the cargo steamer came near us and drew the fire upon herself. By the rays of the searchlight we could see the shells falling close to this steamer. We then observed to the south a second searchlight, and noticed shells falling near the ship which was firing at us. We sustained no damage. After eleven o'clock the shells ceased coming.

## A CASE OF EMERGENCY.



JOHN BULL: A horse! A horse! My kingdom for a horse!

## DUNGARVAN URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

At the usual fortnightly meeting of the above body on Monday, the members present were—Messrs. Thomas O'Connor, J.P.; John Walsh, M. Moloney, John Griffin, P. Veale, John Curran, Michael Power. DEBTS. Letters were read from Messrs. McCredy, solicitors to the Local Government Board, for payment of costs of recent inquiries; from Messrs. Laidlow, Glasgow, payment for water pipes, and from Dr. Williams for amount of debts. EXPENDITURE. The Road Steward reported that the expenditure for the past fortnight was £24. Mr. P. Veale—You will have more. Mr. Walsh—It looks high. Mr. Veale (Road Steward)—There was a very heavy repair on some of those roads; they were out of contract for a good while. A BUOY. Payment was ordered to Mr. John Dee for re-making a harbour buoy for a sum of £10. THE FIRE ENGINE. Sergeant Green suggested that the staff of the U.D.C. be asked to exercise the engine as its works would corrode if it was not looked after. Ordered to be carried out. A CHEQUE FOR £5. Dr. Morrissey wrote for £5 interest on loan of £100.—Ordered payment. OBJECTION TO SIGN CHEQUES. Mr. John Walsh said that he objected to sign the cheques when the treasurer had ignored the wish of the Council. Mr. Dunne said that Mr. Curran had passed the cheques to him. Mr. Curran—I didn't ask you to sign them. Mr. Dunne—Why didn't you sign them yourself if there is nothing wrong with them? Mr. Curran said that he had no objection to sign the life board cheque; it was all right—(laughter). Clerk—They are all right. The cheques were signed. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT. Mr. McCredy, Local Government Board solicitor, wrote stating that unless their debt of £63 out of £103 was paid they would take action. Mr. Walsh—Could you pay anything? Clerk—No.

credit if all the accounts were amalgamated. Mr. Hayes—If you are not satisfied with Mr. Gardner get another; he lost £300 by you before. The Clerk was directed to ask the Local Government Board to give a couple of months for payment. RAILWAY INQUIRY. A notification was received that the arbitrators would sit in Waterford on the 11th for to fix the sums payable in respect of the several railways. Mr. Walsh suggested that Mr. J. J. O'Shea, M.P., be asked to represent the Council. Mr. Hayes suggested that Messrs. Walsh and Curran, two able financiers, be sent down. Mr. Stewart suggested that their expenses be paid. Mr. Hayes said if they refused he would go himself. Mr. Dunne—I second that. It was arranged to have Mr. O'Shea, colr., be written to. Mr. Hayes said that he would go at his own expense, if another would go with him. Mr. Curran said Mr. Ryan would go. Mr. Hayes—Will you go? Mr. Curran—You are very funny to-night—(laughter). Mr. Dunne said that Mr. Curran was the best financier at the board, and he ought to give them the benefit of his intelligence. THE LODGING HOUSES ACTS. Very Rev. Canon Power wrote asking the Council to put in force in the interests of decency and morality the clauses of the Lodging Houses Acts. Mr. Veale—A very proper thing to do. Mr. Walsh—What are we to do? Clerk—You have power at present to inspect. Mr. Stewart asked that the Clerk lay a report on the subject this day fortnight. Clerk—I will have the matter looked up. Chairman—I thought there was no trouble in getting these bye-laws. Clerk—There is no trouble. Mr. Dunne—Can you compel these people to register? Clerk—I think you can. Mr. Veale—Isn't it every house in town a lodging house; every publican in Dungarvan is over at the station looking for lodgers. Mr. Hayes—I am a publican, and I protest; prove it. Mr. Curran—All the publicans do not.

Mr. Hayes said that Sergeant Duggan, the inspector, was most efficient in his inspection, and if anything was wrong with the council he would report it. IRISH NOTES. The Harbour Master reported that Mr. John Dee had made a good job of the buoy. The work could compare favourably with any of the same description which he had seen either in Ireland or England. ROAD STEWARDS REPORT. The Road Steward (Mr. Veale) reported that all the orders made at the last two meetings were ordered to be carried out. He reported that on the stones laid since last meeting there was a saving of £3 6s. FLAGGING. Mr. Curran moved that the flags near Mr. GIBBONS' wool store and the Anglican College be re-set. Mr. Walsh said that the flag at St. Mary's street was also in a bad state. Mr. Dunne said that it was too bad that when contractors did this, that they should put them in order. An order was made that the contractors be asked to put down the flags which they disturbed. ARTIZANS' DWELLINGS. Mr. McCarthy's notice to reduce the rent of last dwellings was postponed in the absence of Mr. McCarthy. WATER AT BALLYNEETY BRIDGE. Mr. Veale moved that the resolution granting a water supply to Mr. McGrath at Ballyneety Bridge be reconsidered. The water at one time was going there through negligence, and the water short in town. He should not get the water for 10s., as the time was limited. Mr. Moloney seconded the resolution. A vote was taken when six voted for granting the water and four against. Mr. Veale said he would move that it be cut off. He said that Mr. McGrath took gravel and cut stone from them before, and said he would give two boats of gravel instead, but he never gave it. This was a loose way of having the ratepayers' property going. The Clerk said that Mr. Beary stated that the two boats of gravel were given for what was taken. Mr. Hayes said that things were done very lax here no doubt. Mr. Veale was right. Mr. Veale—People in the end wanted water and Mr. McGrath was getting it.—Adjourned.

same officer when the final instalment of the loan was issued for the building there were only some trifling defects in the pump and the window bars, which it was suggested could be rectified in a few days. While the guardians would not think of holding the Board of Works responsible for the carrying out of local works yet it appears to them to be a clear dereliction of duty on the part of their engineering inspector not to have then pointed out the serious defects now mentioned in his report, if they existed before they had paid away the final instalment to the contractor, and they, the guardians, beg to intimate that in future they shall have very little confidence in any report coming from the Board of Works or from any of its high-salaried officials. Mr. Stack seconded the resolution, which was passed unanimously. Copies were directed to be forwarded to the Local Government Board and Board of Works. A communication was read from Mr. Michael Beary, the local engineer, on the same subject, pointing out that his reports from time to time were ignored, and that any defect in the pump could be remedied now as well as next summer. The letter was referred to Mr. Williams, the board's solicitor. A meeting of the Rural District Council was held at Mr. Wm. Stack, J.P., presiding. The business was unimportant.—Over. ADVERTISING AS AN INVESTMENT. As to the extent of the advertising appropriation, those who look upon publicity as a dead expense cut it down as low as possible. But advertising ought not to be regarded in this light. It is really an investment, and will yield good dividends if the investor knows how to allocate it. I believe that when Sir Thomas Lipton commenced business in Glasgow, he spent every penny of profit in advertising. Another very successful caterer for the public said that out of every £100 capital he would spend £75 on advertising. To some this may seem a big plunge. As a rule, I think that 20 per cent. of the profits is a fair appropriation. JAMES P. WARNOCK. 94, Hill Street, Garnehill, Glasgow.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD.

THE MAN WHO IS DEAD.

A BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH.

"An officer whose readiness of resource and whose ability as a leader are only equalled by his daring," Lord Wolsey on Lord Charles Beresford.

Lord Charles Beresford stands, with the common consent of the British Navy, as the true type of the British sailor. His breezy personality, his steady courage, his indomitable will, his deep-seated sense of duty, his favouring ashore as at sea, he had no other magnetic virtues, his downright earnestness would have made him a national figure in an age when the gospel of efficiency, howsoever little it may be practised, is preached day and night and everywhere.

Nobody who saw Lord Charles Beresford go down one day to the House of Commons and ask for seventy ships that would cost twenty million pounds is likely to forget it. Not even the House of Commons had spoilt this fighting scion of a fighting house. He was not afraid of its comfortable contentment. The strongest force in the world needed strengthening, and Lord Charles Beresford asked for 70 ships. He had preached efficiency to My Lords at Whitehall, and he gave up his post to preach efficiency to the House of Commons.

THE FIGHTING BERESFORDS.

The Secretary to the Admiralty laughed in fact. The House of Commons laughed too. But within thirteen weeks the Secretary of the Admiralty had his Naval Defence Bill in hand, and within thirteen weeks more the Naval Defence Bill—involving an expenditure of £21,500,000—was passed by the House of Commons. Lord Charles Beresford had not had his choice of fifty seats in Parliament for nothing.

He has the proud satisfaction to-day of a command in a Navy which owes much of its formidable power to him, and he will use his power, should necessity come, with valor becoming his house. Fighting tangles in the blood of the Beresfords. They have been, for generations, among the governing families in Ireland. Long before any Beresford now living was born, a Viceroy crossed St. George's Channel and found a Beresford filling a position greater than that of Lord Lieutenant, and virtually King of Ireland. This was a Beresford with Sir Thomas Moore at Corunna, an admiral in the disguise of a peasant, protected the British at Nice in the French Revolution, and himself captured two French ships; and there was a Beresford, too, who crossed the Egyptian desert for British arms in 1801 and helped to take the Cape from the Dutch in 1806. Irishmen can hardly walk ashore in Dublin without thinking of this brave house, for it was a member of it who gave Dublin Sackville-street and opened up its greatest thoroughfare. Even in peace the Beresfords have found the least peaceful posts of all; when the Church of Ireland was disestablished, there was a Beresford at its head. Lord Charles has the spirit of his race. His fame—and he is, perhaps, the most out of his day's seamen—has grown naturally out of his duty as a sailor, and his fearlessness in public life. He has lived the strenuous life, has stirred the dry bones, has done more than any other man now living to popularise the Navy. Outside the Navy he has been its best friend, as inside it he is one of the best tacticians.

WHEN WE WENT TO SLEEP.

He has a profound faith in the fleet, and those who know him well speak with confidence of the ships under his own command. Lord Charles is among the greatest masters of tactics in battle, and has his own conceptions of tactics, which, it is said, are characteristically novel. He believes in the British Navy as the best Navy on the seas. If that is so, the credit of it is due largely to Lord Charles himself. It was not always so. That was a striking thing which Lord Charles Beresford told a Frenchman when soldiers were still pouring into South Africa in tens of thousands:—"In 1858-59," he said, "if you had had the man, and if the circumstances had been favourable, you Frenchmen could have defeated England without any alliance. I say this to you—I, a British Admiral. England thought war no longer possible, and we all went to sleep."

The old one of the fleet, the place to new, and out of the fleet of 1858 had come the fleet which, in Lord Charles Beresford's words, is "capable of beating the combined fleets of Russia, Germany, and France." Not that he is impatient, having the power of a giant, to use it as a giant; Lord Charles's motto is that "strength is peace." This broad-shouldered, strong-built man, with a stern-set face which but a distance from the front of all at all a man of peace, if peace can be kept with honour. The cost of the Navy, he is fond of saying, is England's insurance money. He is one of our master minds, a man of brain and action. He was sent to sea a delicate boy, he tells his friends, to see if the strong air would put strength into him. It did. He is a child of the sea. The oceans of the world are very near to him; you can almost hear the waves in his words. He has never lived upon the sea since he was thirteen without catching something of its soul. He is wide and big and free, without the restraints of petty rules and little visions which grow in cooped-up citizens and within narrow walls.

A BRAVE LITTLE GUNBOAT.

He is, in a word, the natural man, doing the natural thing. The regulations of the Navy were under a severe strain when the commander of the Condor took his gunboat into range at Alexandria, but the Temeraire was grounded, and Lord Charles Beresford forgot the regulations. He could no more remember them than Nelson could see with his blind eye. So the Condor, with no more than three guns—without an armour deck and with her sides not even bullet-proof—ran out to silence Fort Marabout, the second fort in Alexandria. It was one of those things which make men wonder if they dream. "You must be mad," said one of his officers when Lord Charles gave orders to engage the fort, from which one shot might knock his gunboat into splinters. "Mad it was, no doubt; but it was the madness which triumphs." Of course, Lord Charles has often said in telling the story, "if one of them had happened to hit us there would have been an end of the story. But they didn't, and a mad as a good as a mad man." He has the same opinion on firing, and at the end there was not one effective gun in the fort. We have heard of Admiral Seymour's signal until it has become famous; but the "Well done, Condor!" which went up before the whole fleet was the recognition of an act of gallantry as truly great as any that has been achieved in war.

Nor was the silencing of Fort Marabout the only contribution Lord Charles Beresford paid to the building up of the new Egypt. When the fighting was over, and Arabi Pasha sent his Arabs to storm the Khedive's palace and kill every European there, the Beresford's fell upon the commander of the Condor, who went ashore, enabled the Khedive to escape, and set up a system of police of which one difficulty said that "no such work has ever been done with such complete absence of violence."

A STORY.

The mere naming of Lord Charles Beresford's achievements would fill more space than can be given to them here. The rescue of Sir Charles Wilson and his party, when wrecked on their return from Khartoum, was described by a Minister as "a remarkable feat of arms," and it was achieved after the steamer had been repairing for twenty-four hours under fire from the enemy's fort. Lord Charles had command of the Naval Brigade with Sir Herbert Stewart in his last march across the desert, and was the only man left alive of those in immediate charge of the machine-guns at Abu Klea. And the Commander of the Channel Fleet, is prouder of nothing than of the three medals he has for saving life.

If he is not yet full of years—he is fifty-eight—Lord Charles is full of honours. The French Government would have given him the Legion of Honour if our Admiralty had not refused him permission to take it. He has claims to distinction, too, of which the public little dream. It is said that he saved the opera for London when Sir Augustus Harris would have abandoned it.

But he stands among our great men as a seaman, as a man whom we may trust, as an inspirer and a leader of the fleet, which, in these last few days, has lain restlessly upon a troubled sea.

A.M. in the "Daily Mail."

ILLIARDS.

CATHOLIC YOUNG MEN'S SOCIETY.

ANNUAL BILLIARD HANDICAP—(200 UP). FIRST ROUND.

- A. E. Crane (scr.) v. J. Cronin (50). L. Phelan (20) v. J. Jones (40). J. Dunne (20) v. W. Walsh (20). M. Gallagher (scr.) v. J. Bove (scr.). M. J. Kennedy (scr.) v. W. Smyth (20). R. Phelan (owes 30) v. H. J. Slater (40). J. Grant (owes 30) v. C. Dawson (owes 20). J. Maher (owes 30) v. J. Furnis (30). T. Halpin (40) v. W. Haylin (scr.). C. O'Mahoney (owes 75) v. Jack Young (30). J. Browne (scr.) v. Alderman Young (30). M. Garvey (70) v. S. Veale (owes 50). O. Dawson (20) v. B. A. Roche (20). A. Doyle (20) v. P. Stafford (20). G. Gilligan (owes 50) v. W. McNamara (scr.). P. Murphy (30) v. T. Hove (scr.). J. Flynn (scr.) v. W. Power (scr.). E. Larkin (scr.) v. J. Knox (scr.). E. Whelan (scr.) v. D. Young (owes 20). W. Fitzpatrick (scr.) v. John-Wall (20). J. Harpur (scr.) v. M. Veale (20). M. Bolger (50) v. J. Thompson (20). Jas. Young (scr.) v. E. Ryan (scr.). C. Firth (30) v. P. McNamara (owes 20). J. Dolan (owes 20) v. R. Holohan (30). G. Greene (20) v. L. Walsh (30). W. Nealey (scr.) v. G. Lusby (scr.). J. Duddy (50) v. P. Tritchler (30). J. Power (70) v. W. Young (20). J. Coffey (scr.) v. A. Ryan (30). R. Holden (20) v. J. Cunningham (scr.). P. Lawless (scr.) v. M. J. Hayes (40).

NATIONAL AND LITERARY CLUB HANDICAP.

This handicap is progressing well. On last Friday, L. Doyle (scratch) met M. Brennan (receives 35). This game was as exciting as the Coffey-Collins match. In the early stages of the game, Brennan increased his lead to 70, and playing a good game he looked like running away from his man. Doyle, however, favoured by luck, reduced the gap in a short time. After passing 200 it was anyone's game, and Doyle getting all the luck won a keenly contested game by 10.

On Monday night Con O'Mahoney (owes 100) played W. Costelloe (receives 120). Both men started well, especially Costelloe, who surprised everyone by his good shots. O'Mahoney played well, but getting very hard luck failed to overhaul his man, and suffered defeat by 70. As will be seen, O'Mahoney had a hard task before him, as he was conceding Costelloe 220 points.

On Tuesday, John O'Brien (owes 100) played M. O'Connell (receives 20). O'Connell opened well, but later getting very little on he scored slowly, and O'Brien caught him before 200 had been reached. O'Connell came again and played exceptionally well, but could not come near O'Brien who ran out a winner by 25.

On Wednesday another match was run off, the players being J. Ward (owes 16) and R. Moloney (receives 50). Ward started off in brilliant form, making breaks of 23, 23, and 22. Moloney, though playing a fairly good game, had no chance before his opponent, and was beaten by over 50.

DEATH OF DAN LENO.

A FAMOUS THEATRICAL ARTIST.

The Press Association states that Mr. Dan Leno, whose touching illness and recovery last year were the topic of so much conversation, died at 11.35 this morning at his house at Clapham.

The deceased was a music hall and pantomime favourite, never enjoyed robust health, and the news of his death, though much regretted, does not come upon those who knew him as a surprise.

TRAMORE PIER.

We are reliably informed that the Department of Agriculture have agreed to contribute a further sum of £500 towards the above project, making in all £2,500, and with the £2,000 promised by the County Council, there only remains £500 to be procured to start the work. We understand this sum will be forthcoming in due time, and that the early spring will see the foundation stons laid. We sincerely hope that nothing will prevent this good work being started as soon as stated above.

DEATH OF AN M.P.'S FATHER.

London, Monday. Mr. James Dalziel, father of Mr. Dalziel, M.P., died to-day.

GARRICK-ON-SUIR BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

(From our Reporter.)

The weekly meeting of this board was held on Saturday. Mr. Thomas Bowers, V.C., and subsequently Mr. Matthew Drohan, J.P., Chairman, presided. The other members present were—Messrs. Mathias Walsh, J.P.; W. Heame, J.P.; John Sheehan, D.V.C.; Thos. Flahavan; Patrick Shee, Robert Power, Thos. O'Grady, James Doyle, John Fitzgerald, Wm. O'Callaghan, John O'Donnell, Ballycohan; Thos. Blackmore, Patrick Delaney, Patk. Dunne, David Phelan, Maurice Connolly, E. Walsh, Thos. Ryan, James Mara, Michael Mullins, Peter Mulcahy, Richard Holden, Wm. Shanahan, John Quinn, Martin Brien, Daniel McGrath, Denis Dwan, Peter Henegery, E. Norris, James Lister, Patrick Kennedy, David Rockett.

The following officers were in attendance—Messrs. Maurice Hickey, Acting Clerk; James Walsh, Master; Relieving Officers Philip Dalton and Martin Power.

THE MASTER'S REPORT. The Master's weekly diary contained the following—On the requisition of the medical officer on the 23rd inst., I employed Mary Kearns as temporary wardmaid, at 1s. 3d. per day, during the absence of Wardmaid Kennedy on sick leave.

GRAZING OF THE WORKHOUSE LAND. In reference to the resolution of the guardians allowing the tenant of the grazing land of the workhouse a reduction of £10 in rent, the Local Government Board requested that they might be furnished with full particulars as to the letting of the lands, and the guardians' reasons for considering that the rent should be reduced. They added that if tenders were received for the letting of the land, the several amounts should be stated.

It was ordered to send the Local Government Board a letter which had been received from the tenant in connection with the matter.

THE AUDIT. The auditor, Mr. A. A. Flynn, notified that he would audit the accounts of the union on the 2nd November at eleven o'clock in the boardroom of the workhouse.

DOCTOR'S FEE. Dr. P. Stephenson wrote to say that on the 23rd inst. he called on Dr. Moran to assist him in a difficult midwifery case in Greystone-street.

Acting Clerk—The fee is two guineas in midwifery cases.

Chairman (Mr. Drohan)—You heard this letter from Dr. Stephenson. Dr. Moran was called in to assist him, in this difficult case, and, of course, Dr. Moran expects to be paid. Is it your wish that Dr. Moran be paid for his services in this case.

Mr. O'Donnell—Could we refuse to pay him? Acting Clerk—You have a scale of fees. Mr. O'Grady—What are we to pay? Acting Clerk—The guineas.

An order was made for payment of £2 2s. to Dr. Moran, subject to sanction of the Local Government Board.

COAL FOR A DISPENSARY. On the application of Dr. Moran a ton of coal was ordered to be supplied to the Grange-mockler Dispensary.

MEDICINES. On the requisition of Dr. Stephenson an order was made for the supply of medicines to the No. 1 Dispensary, Carrick-on-Suir.

THE BOARDED OUT CHILDREN. Relieving Officers Dalton and Power made satisfactory reports with regard to the children boarded out in their districts.

THE ROY SEXTON. The Acting Clerk (Mr. M. Hickey, B.O.) stated that all the children boarded out in his district were doing well, with the exception of one boy, named Sexton, who was not attending school, as the master refused to accept him.

Mr. Bowers—Why is that? Acting Clerk—He was going to school and for some reason or another the master turned him out a fortnight ago, and would not take him in, since I went to the school and the master told me he would not take him.

Mr. Bowers—On what grounds? Acting Clerk—The brother told me that he hadn't off some Bible lessons; he beat him and the lad went to Canon Delaney and complained that the master beat him black and blue.

Mr. Holden—Give him a chance. Acting Clerk—We can't give him a chance. Mr. Holden, because he is not going to school. The following morning he had his lessons, and I was told that Dr. Delaney was going down later on.

Mr. Shee—To beat the master—(laughter). Acting Clerk—The master took the books off him and turned him away.

Mr. Holden—Give him a chance; he might be a good boy yet.

Acting Clerk—The master refused to take him; it appears there are some boys very troublesome in the school, and they are conspiring to get this brother out of the way.

Mr. Shee—Is he a Christian Brother? Acting Clerk—He is.

Mr. Norris—Is this boy going to the school from this house?

Mr. Holden—He is a boarded-out boy going from the Co. Kilkenny.

Mr. Norris said he heard something about this matter outside, and he thought that enquiries should be made into it.

Acting Clerk—The Local Government Board raise a row about it now; they write down to know why he is not going to school; the gentleman in charge of the schools won't take him in, I understand, under any circumstances.

Mr. Bowers—Are we paying for his boarding-out? Acting Clerk—You are.

Mr. Bowers—And why do we pay for him when he is unruly?

Acting Clerk—He won't be taken in. After some further discussion.

An order was made that the teacher be informed that it is the wish of the board that Sexton be taken back to the school, with the object of reforming him.

VOYE OF CONDOLENCE. Mr. Norris proposed the following resolution—That this board has heard with deep feelings of regret the loss of our respected Deputy Vice-Chairman (Mr. John Sheehan) has sustained in the death of his son, Jemmie, and begs to tender to him their heartfelt sympathy in his sad bereavement.

Mr. Bowers seconded the resolution, and said that Mr. Sheehan was one of the most courteous members of the board, and he did not think there was a member so well liked by his colleagues. On this sad occasion he deserved their sympathy.

The resolution was then put and carried in silence.

DR. WALKER'S SALARY. Pursuant to notice, Mr. T. Flahavan moved that the salary of Dr. Walker, M.O., Portlaw, be increased by £25 per annum.

The name of Mr. James Walsh, jun., proposing—That before any further increase in our officers' salaries are given, this board do fix a scale of salaries for all its officers as suggested by the Local Government Board in their circular of August 8th last.

Chairman—Both motions deal with the same matter, and I think they ought to be taken together.

Mr. Bowers—I understand Mr. James Walsh's notice of motion is not an amendment to Mr. Flahavan's motion.

Chairman—It is not an amendment. Mr. Bowers—You can't take two of them together; you must take one of them first, and the question is, which of them you will take.

Chairman—Well, if Mr. Walsh was here and insisted on his motion, we ought to consider it. Mr. Kennedy—He is not here.

Mr. Bowers—Mr. Walsh's notice of motion cannot in any way upset Mr. Flahavan's; they are two distinct notices.

Mr. O'Grady—If Mr. Walsh was here the two motions could be dealt with together.

Mr. O'Donnell—Mr. Flahavan's motion was given before Mr. Walsh's, and it ought to be taken first.

Mr. Walsh—I think we ought to equalise the doctor's salaries and that will put us on a footing with Mr. Walsh's motion.

Mr. Flahavan—Wasn't my notice of motion put in first? Chairman—Yes; you are entitled to priority. I suggested some time ago that the guardians ought to appoint a committee to go over the list of officers' salaries and have them shaped. I believed at the time, and I believe now, it would be the proper course to take, because ultimately it will have to be done. If you do what I say, Dr. Walker's salary will be settled as it stands at all times; but now that Mr. Walsh is absent Mr. Flahavan's notice of motion comes on, and I think it would be well to consider it now.

Mr. Bowers—We have settled the salaries of Dr. Brown and Dr. Quirk, and now when there is a notice of motion before us in reference to Dr. Walker's salary, and if we don't settle it what will be said? Let us settle the salary of Dr. Walker now and justice will be done—(hear, hear).

Mr. Flahavan said he would try to prove as readily as he could that Dr. Walker had reason to apply for the increase of £25 which his motion advocated. He then showed how Dr. Walker's work had increased since 1900, and particularly in the present year, owing to the fact of the Portlaw big wheel being stopped. There was another matter which should weigh with the guardians in considering the proposed increase. Until now Dr. Walker had been in receipt of £50 a year from the Messrs. Malcomson and he had lost that, owing to the factory being shut down. In conclusion, he asked the board to vote this increase which was so well deserved to Dr. Walker.

Mr. Bowers said he would have great pleasure in seconding the motion if Mr. Flahavan gave Dr. Walker an increase of £20 he would second it.

Mr. Flahavan—I didn't intend doing that, but I will fall in with your views.

Mr. Bowers—Very well then. I will second your motion, that he get an increase of £20 a year. Continuing Mr. Bowers said he was perfectly well aware that these were not times to be raising salaries. They had a big battle to fight with the times. He had been speaking to a lot of his constituents, and asking them what they thought about it, rising the matter particularly about Dr. Walker's salary. He might add that he had been speaking to some of the biggest ratepayers, and they said that Dr. Walker deserved to get anything he asked and that he was a man who was idolised by the poor. When going by the road side if a poor man came to him and asked him to see a sick person he would do so and ask for no reward. He (Mr. Bowers) owed nothing to Dr. Walker, or that gentleman owed nothing to him. He then referred to the services rendered to the people by the medical profession, and said that their good Bishop, Dr. Quinn, had lately said that doctors ought to get more pay, and parish priests who knew what doctors had to do, also said they ought to be better paid, and he (Mr. Bowers) believed that the Admiral of the Baltic Fleet was not against the doctors either—(laughter).

They had given Dr. Dwan his share, and they had also increased the salary of Dr. Quirk, and now they ought to settle with Dr. Walker. After that he would not be for the smallest salary; Dr. Walker had the smallest salary; he had only £50 a year, and he had lost the £50 he had got up to a short time ago in consequence of the Portlaw factory. He was told that Dr. Walker would never ask a sixpenny bit from the guardians only he had lost the £50. He was a good doctor for the poor, and there were a lot of poor people in Portlaw living in miserable hovels, and Dr. Walker had a big battle to fight against sickness. He believed that he ought to give him the salary they thought they ought to give him. At the same time he proposed, £100 a year. At the same time he proposed, no professional man could live on £100 a year.

Mr. Patrick Shee proposed as an amendment that before they increased Dr. Walker's salary the whole question of the officers' salaries be considered. He said this was similar to what Mr. James Walsh wanted to have done in his notice of motion. In reference to what was said about other medical officers salaries being increased, he pointed out that Dr. Quirk had 25 years' service; Dr. Dwan 16 years; and Dr. Walker only three years' service, and appeared to be given the same consideration as the other two. He paid out of the rates collected in that union £6,000 towards the relief of the poor, and over £2,000 was spent in officers' salaries. The poor law relief system was rotten from top to bottom, and he believed there would be a reform before a year or so, and he thought they could very well adjourn the question of these salaries. In the first place they had too many officers; if they had to pay £1 in relief they had to pay £1 to administer it. His amendment was that the committee appointed to fix a scale of salaries, if they increased Dr. Walker's salary they should have an application from Relieving Officer Hickey for another increase—(laughter).

Mr. Bowers—We won't give it to Mr. Hickey—(laughter).

Mr. Shee—He may be as well entitled to it as Dr. Walker.

Mr. Bowers—It would be a wrong thing to throw Dr. Walker aside, having settled the salaries of the other medical officers.

Mr. Shee—Dr. Quirk has 25 years' service, and Dr. Walker has only six.

Mr. Bowers said that Dr. Quirk had £100 a year and Dr. Walker had only £50.

Mr. Shee—I applied for relief for a poor man, 80 years of age, and because he happened to have a half acre he wasn't entitled to it. It is an awful thing to say that a poor man after his life could not get, owing to a technicality in the act, 2s. 6d. I think before we give more increases of salaries, we ought to pay to the poor the poor law relief; we are spending on the relief of the poor £6,000 a year.

Mr. Blackmore seconded Mr. Shee's amendment.

Mr. Brien supported the amendment.

Mr. Mathias Walsh also supported Mr. Shee's amendment, and said that Dr. Walker's predecessor had £100 a year out of Curraghmore, and Dr. Walker was now getting that. He also had good private practice, and he thought when a man like Dr. Dwan only got £10 increase, it would be ridiculous for them

to give Dr. Walker £20. Dr. Walker had a good practice, and he also had practice in the town of Kilkenny in other places; he thought that it was Dr. Dwan who should get an increase because he had no private practice.

Mr. Flahavan—One of the arguments, I think, is scarcely tenable. Mr. Walsh says that Dr. Walker has good practice; if he has he hasn't to thank us, but he has to thank some other extraneous circumstance.

Mr. O'Donnell said that during six years, to his recollection, Dr. Dwan got increases amounting to £29, and he did not think it would be fair at all when Dr. Stephenson, Dr. Moran, and others got increases, not to give an increase now to Dr. Walker, who was the worst paid of the whole lot. He had great pleasure in supporting the motion to give Dr. Walker £20 a year.

In reply to Mr. M. Walsh, Mr. O'Donnell showed how Dr. Dwan's position had been financially improved.

Mr. Blackmore said he was speaking to Dr. Walker on the subject, and he thought that he would care very little about whether he got £20 from the board; he (Dr. Walker) would not fall out with the board in any case; he had a good practice and £20 or £25 was nothing to him.

Mr. O'Grady proposed a further amendment, which was seconded by Mr. Dwan, that Dr. Walker get an increase of £10.

Mr. Sheehan said he would be for granting Dr. Walker some small increase.

A poll was then taken, and there voted for granting an increase of £20—Messrs. Bowers, Maher, Power, Sheehan, Shanahan, Holden, Heame, Flahavan, O'Donnell, O'Callaghan, Fitzgerald, Doyle, Walsh (Robert)—13.

For referring the matter to a committee—Messrs. O'Grady, Henegery, Dwan, Brien, Quinn, Blackmore, Rockett, Shee, Delaney, Dunne, Mullins, Mara, Phelan, Mulcahy, Connolly, Walsh (Mathias), Norris, Walsh (John Ryan), Chairman—21.

Mr. Kennedy declined to vote.

Mr. O'Grady withdrew his amendment.

The Chairman declared Mr. Shee's amendment carried, and said—There is a committee to be appointed, and that committee will do justice to every one.

The following committee were then appointed—Messrs. Thomas Flahavan, E. Norris, John Sheehan (Co. Waterford); P. Shee, J. Cahill, D. Rockett (Co. Tipperary); Thos. Bowers, J. Walsh, T. Ryan (Co. Kilkenny); Robert Power, and Robert Walsh (Carrick). Chairman—Mr. M. Drohan.

This concluded the business.

WATERFORD RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

(No. 2, COUNTY KILKENNY.) SATURDAY.

Mr. Patrick Grant, Chairman, presided at the monthly meeting of the above body. There were also present—Messrs. James Farrell, S. Morris, J.P.; John Moore, E. Phelan, E. Bove, Richard Fitzgerald, Andrew Irish, E. Donovan, Thomas Kelly, E. Rowe, Edmond Quirran, M. Kirwan, John Holden, John Ennett, etc.

The officials in attendance were—Messrs. J. Mackey, Clerk of the Council; E. Walsh and W. Healy, Sub-Sanitary Officers.

THE STORY OF A WELL.

The Council was occupied for a considerable time in listening to a deputation composed of Messrs. Martin Knox and Thomas Walsh, who came to complain that the well of Ardagh in the parish of Mooncoin was now useless, the sides having fallen in. According to the statement of the deputation there were thirteen houses in the vicinity of this source of domestic water supply, but in consequence of its collapse they were actually cooking their food with water taken out of the roadside dykes. The wall-lining of the well had fallen in and all that was wanted was to excavate it and build new walls, the expense of which the people of the townland were willing to pay.

The Clerk explained to the Board that the difficulty in this matter was a legal one. The well was private property, and the Board could not expend public money upon any work of the kind suggested by Mr. Knox.

Mr. Farrell said he was sure that everyone present had the greatest sympathy with the people of Ardagh, but what could the Council do.

Mr. Knox—The people of the townland will do the work themselves and pay for it if they only get a chance of doing so. The farmers and labourers will pay their share.

The Clerk—You bring us the money and we will get the work done (laughter).

Chairman (to the deputation)—You see, gentlemen, we must get the money first before we can stir.

Mr. Knox—I see that.

Mr. Phelan said he wondered why the people aggrieved could not get the work done among themselves.

Mr. James Farrell—This Council has not the power to interfere in the matter because this is a private well, and the Waterford Union has never had any charge of it.

The Clerk—That is quite true. If the community represented by the deputation are willing to collect the money requisite for this work of cleaning and clearing the well it is all right. We have no objection.

Some conversation ensued as to the manner in which subscriptions should be levied, and Mr. Morris suggested a call according to valuations in the townland.

The Clerk said that the Local Government Board were determined opposed to dealing with matters of this kind, except in strict accordance with the regulations.

Chairman—I am sorry, Mr. Knox, we cannot do what you request in connection with this derelict well.

The Clerk—It is only in great centres like Mooncoin where we can deal with water supplies.

In reply to Mr. James Farrell, Mr. Knox said the landlady of the place would not give any assistance.

Chairman—I am afraid, Mr. Knox, yourself and your friends must do the best you can without any assistance from us. It is against the law for us to spend any money in interfering with the well.

The matter then dropped, and the deputation retired.

CONTRACTORS AND COTTAGES.

The Clerk read a resolution, recently passed by the Council, to the effect that if the building contractors for cottages did not complete their contracts the Council would take up the work themselves and debit the contractors with the extra cost, if any, entailed.